

*Worship... Service ... Witness ... in the name of Jesus*

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## Worship and Fellowship

Sunday, 20 April 2025

Easter Sunday

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### What's On This Week....

**Monday 21 April**  
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed  
Bank Holiday - Premises Closed

**Tuesday 22 April**  
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed

**Wednesday 23 April**  
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open  
9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting  
9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers

**Thursday 24 April**  
9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open

**Friday 25 April**  
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open  
6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

**Saturday 26 April**  
10.00am - 12noon Dinky Divas

Collect for the Day

**To ponder and pray .....**

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you in the unity of the holy spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

**Come and join us on  
Sunday, 27 April 2025**

**Easter 2**

**10.30am Morning Worship  
led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo**

**Joint Service at Cranmer**

**11.00am Morning Worship with Holy Communion  
led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo**

Welcome and Lent Liturgy

Psalm 118: 1 - 4

**H & P 190: Christ is alive! Let Christians sing;**

Prayers

Readings:

Isaiah 65: 17 - 25 read by Jenny Ridgway

John 20: 1 - 18 read by John Ashwood

**H & P 213: This joyful Eastertide,**

Sermon

**StF 304: Jesus is risen! Alleluia**

Jesus is risen, alleluia!  
Worship and praise him, alleluia!  
Now our redeemer bursts from the grave;  
lost to the tomb, Christ rises to save.

***Come, let us worship him,  
endlessly sing;  
Christ is alive and death loses its sting.  
Sins are forgiven, alleluia!  
Jesus is risen, alleluia!***

**Conference Sunday,  
29 June 2025**

Hello, you will see from the worship plan that most churches have a local arrangement on Conference Sunday. We thought if possible it might be an option either to go to Telford International Centre, International Way, Telford TF3 4JH for the Conference Service at 10.45am or if churches who could stream the service to their church invite congregations whose churches cannot. Details of these at a later date. This is always a special service.

Both for the Sunday morning worship and ordination services, tickets would be required. These are available from the Methodist Website (Just go to Methodist Conference 2025 and all the details will come up) from Monday, 7 April. No charge of course but to make sure you can get a seat... The ordination services all begin at 4.00pm.

**Venues**

St. Andrew's Church, Shifnal  
All Saints, Wellington  
St. Chad's, Shrewsbury  
Shrewsbury Abbey

Just let me know if anyone requires further information about these venues.

Shirley Tilston, Circuit Office.

**SHROPSHIRE AND MARCHES EXTEND AN INVITATION!**

We are planning a Day of Exploration with Rev Dr Gary Hall on Saturday, 17 May 2025 at Church Stretton Methodist Church.

The idea came from the Ludlow Church and has become a Circuit initiative. We very much hope friends from other Circuits and Ecumenical partners might join us to explore faith together

Gary is a Methodist Minister and Tutor in preaching and ethics at The Queen's Foundation, Birmingham. He has a warm, approachable style and is committed both to informed dialogue and pastoral care in the local church. He will be returning to Circuit Ministry in September. The theme of the day is:

Singing the Lord's Song in a Strange Land:  
Holiness, Letting Go, and Being a Fully Present Church Today.

Please join us for a day of reflection and conversation as we explore what it means to be a faithful, present and adaptable church in today's changing world. Through insights on holiness, the challenge of letting go, and embracing the present moment, we will seek new ways to sing the Lord's Song in the unfamiliar territory where we find ourselves.

Church Stretton Methodist Church is just off the A49, and very close to the railway station.

It is proposed to serve tea and coffee from 10am and to start the day at 10.30am. We expect to finish around 3.30pm. Bring a packed lunch, drinks will be provided.

It would be so good to open up fellowship across our area, and indeed what will be our new District. All those who have heard Gary speak are very enthusiastic .

Please can you advertise this among your preachers and churches. This day is intended for everyone.

Further information can be had from  
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Buried for three days, destined for death,  
now he returns to breathe with our breath.  
Blest are the ears alert to his voice,  
blest are the hearts which for him rejoice.

'Don't be afraid!' the angel had said,  
'Why seek the living here with the dead?  
Look, where he lay, his body is gone,  
risen and vibrant, warm with the sun.'

'Go and tell others, Christ is alive.'  
Love is eternal, faith and hope thrive.  
What God intended, Jesus fulfilled;  
what God conceives can never be killed.

Christ has arisen! Now all can see  
how humankind is meant to be free.  
Through powers of darkness threaten their worst,  
through every barrier Jesus has burst.

Let heaven echo, let the earth sing:  
Jesus is saviour of everything.  
All those who trust him, Christ will receive;  
therefore rejoice, obey and believe!

*John L. Bell (1949)*

Prayers

Offerings

**H & P 208: The day of resurrection,**

Holy Communion

**H & P 212: Thine be the glory,**

Blessing

**ZOOM PRAYER MEETING** on a Wednesday at 9.00am. All are welcome and for further details please contact Sue.

**CHURCH OFFICE** is now closed and will re-open on Wednesday, 23 April 2025 due to the Easter holidays. It will also close on Wednesday, 30 April and re-open on Wednesday, 7 May 2025. Please send any notices in the usual way. Sue.

**COFFEE MATES:** Meet Monday, 5 May 2025 at Essington Farm, Bognop Road, Essington WV11 2AZ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

**CHANGE OF DATE AND PLACE:** Please note that the planned Joint Church Councils Meeting at Springdale on Tuesday, 13 May has been re-arranged. It will now take place at Beckminster at 7.00pm on Monday, 12 May, i.e. 24 hours earlier than previously planned. Church Council members have already been informed.

**PARTNERSHIPS IN THE GAMBIA** invite you to join us for Coffee, Cake and a Catch Up at Beckminster Church on Saturday, 3 May 2025 from 2.00 - 4.00pm in the Coffee Bar. Light refreshments will be served.

We Welcome You  
to Worship Today

If you are here for the first time,  
please make yourself known to those  
around you, or to one of the  
Stewards or Minister.

Our fellowship will continue after  
morning worship with tea and coffee  
served in the Coffee Bar.

**The Plants for April  
are in Loving Memory of:**  
**Ven Venables:**  
**Kathryn Tonks:**  
**David Boulton:**  
**Brownie & Betty Carter-Brown:**  
**Mr & Mrs Kenneth Corns:**  
**Anne Jones and her Parents:**  
**Violet Watts:**

**MARGARET PHAZEY.** Our thoughts and prayers are with Vee following the death of Margaret on Wednesday, 16 April 2025.

**EASTER OFFERING 2025:** The Easter Offering is the annual opportunity to give to the World Mission Fund, which works with over a hundred of the Methodist Church in Britain's Partner Churches and organisations around the world.

Collection envelopes are now available for people to make their gift on Easter Sunday or one of the Sundays following. All gifts will be gratefully received, and dedicated at a Circuit Service on Sunday, 18 May at 6.00pm at Fallings Park Methodist Church. Offerings can be brought to the service, paid in direct to the World Mission Fund or sent as a cheque to the Circuit MiBW Treasurer, Mrs Jean Oakley, 36 Parkfield Crescent WV2 2DE. The focus this year will be on every person's right to education.

*Wendy Gould, Circuit MWiB Committee*

**SYNOD:** The Representative Session of Synod is in our W-ton Circuit and will be held at Old Fallings URC, Oldfallings Lane, Fallings Park, W-ton WV10 8BH. Parking will be available opposite at the Catholic Church Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, 542 Cannock Road, WV10 8PG. There will be limited parking at the Oldfallings URC for those that have mobility issues. We will be pleased to hear from anyone who can help on the day, Saturday, 10 May 2025. Please let me know if you can bake a cake or cakes. Also please let me know if you are able to volunteer to help steward the car park, directing people, serve tea and coffee at the start, lunchtime and end and to support in general. Shirley, Circuit Office, tel. 422100.